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- 1. INFORMATION FROM THE HIGHEST LEVEL OF THE NICARAGUAN GOVERN-MENT INDICATES THAT THE DISTRIBUTION OF PRC PUBLICATIONS IN NICARAGUA REMAINS AT A REALTIVELY VERY LOW LEVEL. THERE IS APPARENTLY NO INTERNAL DISTRIBUTION OR DISTRIBUTION FROM ADJACENT COUNTRIES. A FEW PUBLICATIONS ARE RECEIVED THROUGH DIRECT MAIL FROM THE PRC, BUT THE INFORMATION AVAILABLE TO US INDICATES THAT THE QUANTITY AS NOT INCREASED.
- 2. A NUMBER OF PING PONG PLAYERS FROM NICARAGUA HAVE A JOINED A GROUP APPARENTLY ORGANIZED BY A MEXICAN ORGANIZER AND ARE CURRENTLY EN ROUTE TO THE PRC. THE TRIP OF THESE PING PONG PLAYERS WAS APPROVED BY THE GON, AFTER THE GON HAD SATISFIED ITSELF THAT THE ORGANIZER AND PARTICIPANTS WERE RELIABLE INDIVIDUALS ONLY INTERESTED IN SPORT.
- 3. NO EVIDENCE OF ACTIVITIES LEADING TO THE POSSIBLE ESTABLISHMENT OF DIPLOMATIC MISSIONS BY THE PRC IN CENTRAL AMERICAN COUNTRIES HAVE COME TO THE ATTENTION OF THE NICARAGUAN GOVERNMENT. CONFIDENTIAL

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